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FM AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

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INFO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

AMEMBASSY LUSAKA

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SUBJ: ZAMBIAN FOREIGN MINISTER SAYS SPLIT AVERTED IN OAU

1. ZAMBIAN FOREIGN MINISTER VERNON MWAANGA, WHILE TRANSITTING DAR ES SALAAM JUNE 16 FROM OAU CONFERENCE TO LUSAKA, SAID ELECTION OF OAU SECRETARY GENERAL WAS CRUCIAL ISSUE WHICH HAD THREATENED TO INFLECT DIVISIVE ADVERSE EFFECTS ON ORGANIZATION OR EVEN PUT ITS VERY SURVIVAL AT STAKE. MWAANGA, WHO WAS ONE OF CANDIDATES FOR OAU SECRETARY GENERAL, SAID ELECTION HAD SHOWN "TREND TOWARDS DOMINANCE OF OAU BY CERTAIN GROUP, BUT THIS ATTEMPT FAILED." HE ADDED THAT ELECTION HAD GIVEN "AN INSIGHT TO WHAT THESE GROUPS ARE AND WHAT THEY ARE TRYING TO DO" AND EVERY EFFORT MUST BE MADE TO REDRESS THIS TREND. (NEWS ARTICLE PRECEEDING MWAANGA'S COMMENTS REFERRED TO ENGLISH-SPEAKING, FFENCH-SPEAKING, , AND ARAB BLOCKS IN COURSE OF VOTING FOR OAU SECRETARY GENERAL.)

2. MWAANGA COMMENTED THAT OAU IS FOR ALL MEMBER STATES AND IT MUST NOT BE MADE APPENDAGE OF ANY OTHER ORGANIZATION. FOLLOWING 19 BALLOTS OVER PERIOD OF 14 HOURS IN UNSUCCESSFUL EFFORT TO ELECT SECRETARY GENERAAL, ZAMBIA PROPOSED THAT ITS CANDIDATE  
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WITHDRAW FROM CONTEST ON CONDITION THAT SOMALI CANDIDATE DOES

LIKEWISE. HAD TWO CANDIDATES NOT WITHDRAWN, SERIOUS ADVERSE EFFECTS WOULD HAVE RESULTED. MWAANGA CONCLUDED: "BUT EVEN NOW WOUNDS HAVE BEEN LEFT OVER. HOWEVER, WHEN HISTORIANS COME TO REVIEW THIS, THEY WILL CONCLUDE THAT WE ACTED TO SAVE THE ORGANIZATION FROM DIVISIVE DANGERS."  
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